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COCAINE DEALERS SENTENCED

MACON: Maxwell Wood, United States Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia, announces that Curtis Bernard Hill, age 33, and Jason Wells, age 28, were sentenced in the United States District Court on April 7, 2005. Hill was sentenced to twenty-seven (27) years in prison without parole. Wells was sentenced to ten (10) years in prison without parole.

Both men were convicted on January 25, 2005, for conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute from fifty (50) to one-hundred and fifty (150) kilograms of cocaine, possession with the intent to distribute cocaine and possession with the intent to distribute crack cocaine.

The evidence at trail established that from 1999 to 2002, Hill was supplied with kilogram quantities of cocaine from a Mexican drug trafficker in Atlanta, Georgia. Evidence also established that Curtis Bernard Hill and Jason Wells sold crack cocaine from Hill's residence in Montezuma, Georgia.

Between June 3, 2002 and June 18, 2002, law enforcement officers made three controlled purchases of crack cocaine from Hill's residence. A search warrant was executed at the residence on June 26, 2002 which led to the discovery of additional crack cocaine, marijuana and two firearms.

The investigation was initiated by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation with the assistance of officers from the Montezuma Police Department.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Charles Calhoun and Jennifer Kolman. Any inquires regarding this case should be directed to Ms. Sue McKinney, Media Contact, U.S. Attorney's Office at (478) 621-2602.

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